PINK BOLLWORM PROGRAM - WEEKLY REPORT

38 YEARS OF SERVICE TO COTTON GROWERS



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Pink Bollworm Activities

Palo Verde and Imperial Valleys:

There were 6,939 Native moths captured during the week. There are 198 traps currently in place, and 84,183 native moths have been captured year to date. Agricultural Pest Control Supervisor, Jodi Brigman, reports that the Southern California cotton acreage is as follows: 8,745 acres for Imperial County, 10,990 acres for Riverside County and 640 acres in San Bernardino County for a total of 20,375 acres of cotton in Southern California.

San Joaquin Valley:

Merced and Madera counties have been field mapped and need to be digitized into MapInfo, before acreage totals are available. Staff has started general detection trapping in Kern County and will begin trapping in Kings and Tulare Counties on 6-26-06.

Associate Agricultural Biologist, Tyson Porter, and PI AG Tech III's, Felix Miranda and Mike Lopez, have completed the mandatory Heat Illness Prevention class. All CDFA employees who work in an outdoor environment will need to complete this two-hour safety course. Tyson Porter will be scheduling another class in the future for the Fresno area.

Temperatures for the week have been very hot, reaching 110 degrees Fahrenheit in some areas over the weekend.

Lead personnel continue to service early detection traps in select areas of the San Joaquin Valley on a weekly basis. No 2006 native PBW moths have been detected as of yet. To date, 13,163 sterile moths have been recovered this year from the 216 early detection traps.

Sacramento Valley:

The anticipated start date for Pink Bollworm Program mapping and trapping in the Sacramento Valley has been changed to July 31, 2006.